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BY: *Madeline M. Moore* Date: *June 14, 2006*
 **MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS (G0316US)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))

Applicants in the above-identified application hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to and including June 14, 2006 for responding to the Office Action mailed December 14, 2006. An Amendment accompanies this Petition.

☒ A firm check for **\$1,020** is enclosed.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 209448.0151) as noted below.

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